Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 25 Dec 2022 until 23:59 on Monday 26 Dec 2022

Forecast Issued on Saturday 24 Dec 2022 at 14:49 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a changeable, often cold and windy few days in the hills. Lower confidence in day to day precipitation details.

Headline for Sunday 25 Dec 2022: Mainly dry. Bright spells. Feeling bitterly cold over higher ridges and summits.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 25 Dec 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Sunday 25 Dec 2022

Weather: Mostly dry during the night with clear periods and dry for much of Christmas Day too with some sunshine. There will be a few showers later in the morning and early afternoon, wintry above about 800m. Mainly dry and clear during evening and turning even colder.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Good visibility with occasional cloud about 700 to 800m. Brief reductions to poor visibility as showers come along with more extensive cloud cover.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	40/48 SW	43/53 SW	45/55 SW	41/51 SW	30/37 SW	22/27 W	20/25 W	26/32 W	29/36 W
900	28/36 SW	30/40 SW	30/40 SW	29/39 SW	22/29 SW	15/20 W	13/18 W	18/24 W	19/27 W
600	19/34 SW	19/35 SW	20/36 SW	21/36 SW	15/26 SW	11/20 W	10/17 W	12/22 W	13/25 W
300	6/20 S	6/21 SW	9/23 S	10/26 SW	9/21 SW	5/13 W	4/13 W	6/15 W	6/16 W
Glen	9/23 SW	9/22 SW	11/24 SW	10/24 SW	10/21 SW	6/15 W	5/12 W	6/16 W	6/15 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-9	-3/-11	-5/-12	-6/-15	-7/-17
900	1/-6	1/-7	1/-6	1/-6	1/-5	-1/-7	-3/-9	-4/-11	-5/-13
600	3/-2	3/-3	3/-3	3/-3	3/-2	1/-3	-1/-5	-2/-7	-3/-9
300	4/2	4/2	5/2	5/2	6/3	4/2	1/-2	0/-3	-1/-5
Glen	5/2	5/2	6/2	6/2	6/4	5/2	2/-0	1/-2	-1/-4
Freezing Level*	1000m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1100m	700m	400m	300m	100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Another bitterly cold day and although winds ease by the afternoon, tricky underfoot conditions will continue to make walking difficult.

Forecast for Monday 26 Dec 2022
Weather: A very cold day with still a lot of dry weather and sunny spells. A few sleet and snow showers will come across from the west, especially to Perthshire and Ochil hills.

Maximum wind: Strong to gale force westerly winds. Average speeds of 30 to 40mph and gusts 60mph over the summits.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Away from showers, visibility will be very good with patches of cloud about 700m. Brief reductions to very poor visibility as showers pass by with clouds lower down the hills.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 Celsius rising to plus 3 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: 100m rising to 400m.

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